

Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K. Street, NW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

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Dear Secretary Williams:

My name is K.S. Pahk and I am President of Hyundai Merchant Marine America, Inc., located at 879 West 190th Street, 7th Floor, Gardena, California 90248-4228. Prior to assuming my current position earlier this year, I was a President of Hyundai Intermodal, Inc. Hyundai Intermodal, Inc. represents Hyundai Merchant Marine Co., Ltd. in securing transportation for the movement of containerized freight throughout the United States, including import and export traffic.

It is my responsibility to identify the most cost efficient and service-competitive transportation for Hyundai Merchant Marine Co., Ltd. As we compete on an international basis with many other international carriers, it is extremely important that we take advantage of the most efficient modes of transportation possible. All of our containerized freight moves into and out of the interior United States via rail, double-stack and spine car intermodal service.

Hyundai Merchant Marine America, Inc. supports the proposed BNSF/CN combination. The combination should allow Hyundai and other shippers to more effectively utilize transportation assets; create opportunities for more efficient transportation due to the expanded geographic coverage; open up opportunities for single-line service; allow shippers to access more origins and destinations through single-line service; improve intermodal service; and create opportunities for better equipment utilization.

Sincerely,

Kee Soo Pahk, President
Hyundai Merchant Marine America, Inc.